

# **REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

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Examiner Name	Regina Liang
Attorney Docket Number	0756-1964

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## 1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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- iv. ☐ Other


## 2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)
- b. ☒ Other Petition to Withdraw from Issue

## 3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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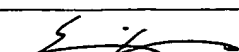
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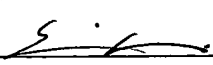
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1001	300	2001	150	Utility filing fee	
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## 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

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1202	50	2202	25	Claims in excess of 20	
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1203	360	2203	180	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	200	2204	100	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
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